Public Hearing to Consider Proposed Amendments to Transport Refrigeration Unit (TRU) Airborne Toxic Control Measure (ATCM)



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Overview

- Background
- Proposed Amendments
- Emissions Impacts
- Recommendation





Background

- TRU ATCM adopted February 2004
- U.S. EPA approved waiver January 16, 2009
- Enforcement delayed until December 31, 2009

TRU Applications



- What is a TRU?
 - Refrigeration systems powered by integral diesel engines
 - Used to control the environment of temperature sensitive products that are transported in trucks, semi-trailers, railcars, and shipping containers







TRU Gen Set Applications

- What is a TRU Generator Set?
 - Refrigeration systems on ocean-going shipping containers and semi-trailers are electrically driven
 - TRU gen sets are attached during land-leg of a trip
 - Electrically-driven refrigeration systems plug into TRU gen sets



Key Requirements of Current Regulation

- Web-based registration
 - All TRUs based in California
 - Voluntary for TRUs based outside California
- Submit Operator Reports
 - Affects all California terminals where TRUs are assigned
- Meet in-use performance standards
 - Affects all TRUs that operate in California
 - Phased compliance schedule

Implementation Status

- Outreach training, compliance assistance
- Stakeholder issue meetings
- Regulatory advisories
- Compliance technology development and verification
- Conducted and participated in technology forums
- ARBER: Web-based TRU registration system
- Toll-free helpline

Proposed Amendments

- Today's proposed amendments
 - Three time-critical issues
 - Need resolution by end of 2010
- 2011 amendments to address remaining issues including:
 - Revisit 7-year operational life requirement
 - Other stakeholder proposals

Proposed Amendment #1

- Model year 2003 and MY 2004 (<25 hp truck)
 - Allow option of less stringent in-use standard now and more stringent standard later
 - Low-Emission standard met in 2010/2011 by retrofitting with Level 2 control system
 - Ultra-Low-Emission standard met in 2017/2018

-Rationale:

- Limited availability of Level 3 control systems (ULETRU)
- Level 2 control systems (LETRU) readily available

Proposed Amendment #2

Flexibility Engines

- In-use requirements based on engine manufacturer year for pre-2011 engines
 - Fair treatment of consumers
 - Prevents unexpected loss of operational life
- In-use requirements based on "effective model year" for 2011+ engines
 - Prevents future lost emission reductions
 - Discourages future use of dirtier flexibility engines
 - Provides consumers with clear information on remaining operational life of engine

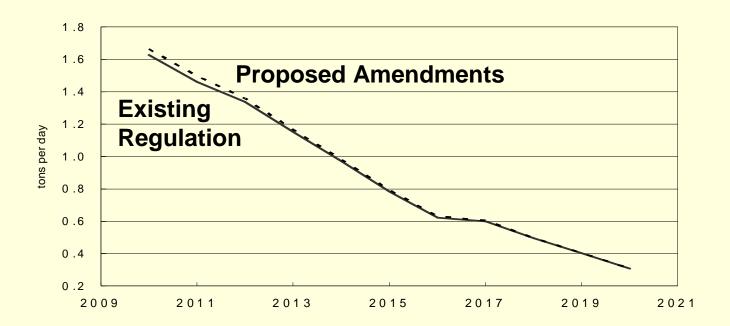
Proposed Amendment #3

- Add TRU manufacturer reporting requirements:
 - Flexibility engine data needed to adjust compliance dates
 - Equipment model and engine information
 - Streamline the registration process



Minimal Impact on Anticipated Emission Reductions

Temporarily defers very small emissions reductions until 2017/2018



Economic Impacts

- Amendment #1: LETRU option
 - Level 2 systems \$1,300 to \$2,300 less than Level 3 systems
 - Cost savings in 2010/2011 \$2.1 million
 - Compliance cost in 2017/2018 \$1.79 million
 - Net cost savings \$310,000
- Amendment #2: Flexibility engines
 - No end-user compliance costs
- Amendment #3: TRU manufacturer reporting
 - Reporting costs \$150,000

Recommendation

- Adopt the proposed amendments
- Direct staff to:
 - Issue implementation advisory
 - Continue outreach efforts
 - Continue work with
 TRU manufacturers on reporting mechanism
 - Return to Board in
 2011 with proposed amendments to address remaining issues

